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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT C) AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 7, 2006

This paper is responsive to the non-final Office Action dated December 7, 2006 in the above referenced application, in which a shortened statutory period of 1 month was set for reply. Applicant hereby makes petition for extension of time of two (2) months in which to respond to the present Action. Authorization is provided herewith to charge the fee due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. No. 08-0750.

The undersigned is acting in a representative capacity for Applicant under 37 C.F.R. §1.34 pending execution of power of attorney.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT C)

Entry of the following amendment is requested prior to examination on the merits of the present application. This amendment supplements the two (2) preliminary amendments submitted on July 22, 2003 and December 8, 2003 respectively.

Preliminary amendment (Amendment C) and response to Office Action dated December 7, 2006 March 7, 2007

Amendments in the SPECIFICATION begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments in the CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

REMARKS on the present amendment begin on page 7 of this paper.

Increase, if any, in total number of claims or in number of independent claims resulting from the present amendment does not require payment of additional claim fees.